

LOC REGIONS – PLANNING GROUP PROGRESS REPORT

REGION 1 – CASCADE PACIFIC

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REGIONAL PLANNING

1.A. Progress towards completion of activities defined in application for planning funds

Organizational Structure – Draft Completed (Art. IV of By-Laws)

By-Laws Draft Completed (Nov. 15, 1999)

Membership Policies Draft Completed (Art. III of By-Laws)

Long Range Plan In-Process – suggested elements included in 2d Quarter Narrative Report

Geographical Contiguity -- Nothing stated [Should this be included in Plan?]

1.B. Initial needs assessment and anticipated completion date

County meetings planned during February; data from meetings available to planning group by March 15, 2000

1.C. Expected completion date of overall plan to submit to LoC Board

Anticipated completion date: May 31, 2000

1.D. Accomplishments of Regional Planning Group

- Several productive meetings*
- Belief that regional planning group is aware of Cascade Pacific region service needs [Will be interesting to see if needs assessment results coincide w/ regional planning group's initial assessment of regional service needs]*
- Draft By-Laws, Organizational Structure, and Membership Policies have been completed*
- “Significant progress” [according to Planning Group] on Long Range Plan [3 page plan – suggested elements of plan w/ statement of goals, objectives, free services to C-P Region members, and questions re transition from CLSA and other questions]*

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1.E. Greatest Challenges for Regional Planning Group

[N.B. challenges faced by regional planning group are unclear from reading the narrative report, as per their suggestion. The following list has been gleaned from the narrative portion of the 2d Quarterly Report]

- *Need for technology support if regional reference services become more technological/consultant oriented*
- *Funding to upgrade connectivity*
- *How regional servers will replace NSCLS catalog*
- *Digitization – will this be centralized?*
- *Transitioning from CLSA to Library of California*
 - *“ funding, personnel, and access to services issues*
- *Seeking new members*
- *Long Range Plan*

1.F. Additional Help via State Resources (LoC Board, LoC staff, State Library)

Outside consulting, but would've been useful earlier in planning process

Availability of FY 2000/01 funds to hire fulltime Library of California coordinator for Cascade Pacific region. Want to hire someone with both organizational and technological skills